

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT
July 9, 2004

ITEM: **13**

SUBJECT: **CITY OF SAN DIEGO'S RIVER PARK MASTER PLAN**
Mark Marney (Project Officer II, Park Planning Division, Park and Recreation, City of San Diego) and consultant Todd Mead (Civitas, Inc.) will present the City of San Diego's River Park Master Plan. The draft Master Plan is now available for public review and comment.
(Ellen Oppenheim)

PURPOSE: Information item. To present the City of San Diego's "*San Diego River Park Draft Master Plan*" to the Governing Board.

DISCUSSION: The City of San Diego (City) began work on its San Diego River Park Master Plan in September 2003. Mr. Jeff Harkness (Park Designer, Park and Recreation Dept) is the City's Project Manager. A design team of consultants led by Civitas, Inc. was hired to develop the Master Plan.

During Master Plan development the team met monthly with the San Diego River Coalition¹, held three public workshops, and presented project briefings to each of the adjacent Community Planning Groups and Citizen Advisory Committees.

The draft Master Plan was released for public review and comment on June 18, 2004. Public comments are due on July 15, 2004.

¹ The San Diego River Coalition is a group of over fifty community groups and organizations with a common interest in the San Diego River.

Next Steps

Following community input, the draft Master Plan will go to the Park and Recreation Board, the San Diego River Coalition, and the Planning Commission for additional input. It will then be revised and sent to a subcommittee of the San Diego City Council prior to commencing the environmental review process (CEQA). The City also plans to provide a status report update to the San Diego River Conservancy prior to environmental review (currently projected for Fall 2004). Ultimately, the Master Plan will be adopted by the full City Council.

LEGAL CONCERNS: None.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

SUPPORTING
DOCUMENTS: *“San Diego River Park Draft Master Plan, City of San Diego”*
(enclosed spiral bound report)

RECOMMENDATION: Discuss, receive, and file.